

**IN THE SPECIFICATION: *[REMOVE IF NOT APPLICABLE]***

The specification as amended below with replacement paragraphs shows added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~striketrough~~.

Please AMEND the paragraph beginning at page 12, line 3, as follows:

During the reset period, the addressing electrodes are set to 0 V, and pulses of positive and negative polarities are applied to the sustain discharge electrodes. Specifically, a pulse of a voltage  $-V_{wx}$  is applied to the X electrodes, and a pulse of a voltage  $V_{wy}$  is applied to the Y electrodes. The pulse to be applied to the Y electrodes is ~~a pulse of gentle slope~~ a slope pulse that reaches the voltage  $V_{wy}$  ~~with its voltage variation per unit time changed~~ whose voltage variation per unit time changes in magnitude. Consequently, a first feeble discharge is induced in the lines defined by the X electrodes and Y electrodes.